

Welcome to Second Presbyterian Church

Sharing the grace of God with one another and the world around us.



This church welcomes you no matter who you are, where you come from, or why you are here. We are Christ's people; if you are looking for a home, stay here; if you need instruction, learn from us as we learn from you. We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.

Please visit our website 2ndpreslou.org to connect with various ministries, or to contact the office for more information. If you are new to us, scan this QR Code to visit our website and learn about our life at Second.



With gratitude to God, 2026 moves Second Presbyterian Church one year closer to celebrating our bicentennial milestone. After reflecting on our achievements and evaluating our current mission, we have identified 5 strategic pathways that will help us meet the needs of our congregation in 2030. We invite you to join us on our continued journey to preserve, strengthen, and innovate our community of faith.

Children of God, welcome home!

***Bold** type indicates where we share the liturgy together.*

Service for the Lord's Day

The Gathering

With the sounds of the Prelude the worship service has begun. You are encouraged to use this time for meditation and reflection prior to your participation in the service.

PRELUDE

Arabesque, op. 31 no. 15

Louis Vierne

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

MISSION MOMENT

Rev. Dr. Mary Nebelsick, Chair of Presbytery Committee

HYMN SING #1-449 *please use your hymnals*

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

*HYMN 41

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above

LYONS

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *read in unison*

Creator God, though we often celebrate how you took this worldly canvas and made everything in your image, we confess that far too often we neglect your work. Instead of living as one with your masterpiece, we tear, cut, and plunder your creation in ways that divide and destroy. Sadly, this leads us to not love our neighbor or self. Instead of seeing your image in another, we find ways to see our neighbor as “less than”. Instead of seeing your beauty within ourselves, we fixate on where we fall short. Grant us the curiosity to see how we can live within your creation and, at last, live out our baptismal vows to love you, one another, and to love ourselves.

Time for silent prayer.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

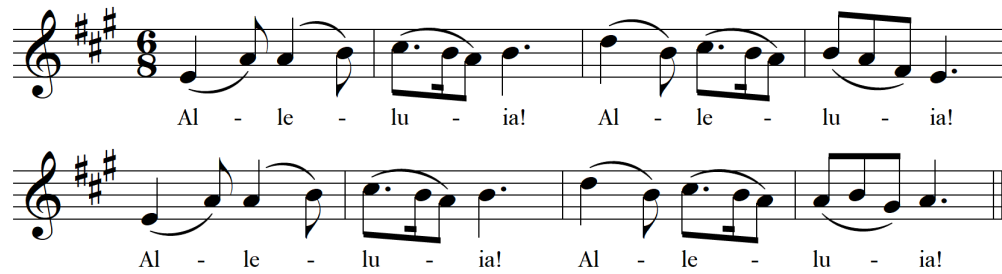
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven again and again. Amen!

***RESPONSE**

Alleluia!

CELTIC ALLELUIA

Children ages 3 through completed 2nd graders are welcome to come forward and be part of the Baptism. They will be dismissed through the side door for activities following the Peace. Children can be picked up in the Great Hall or the playground, depending on the weather.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Robert Barrett Hockensmith

Son of Katie and Rue Hockensmith

**read in unison when invited*

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

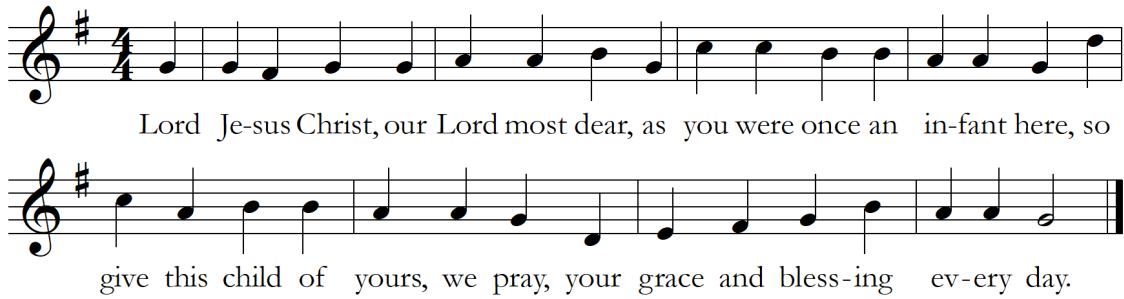
CONGREGATION *read in unison when invited*

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into Christ's one holy and apostolic church. We are the people of God, members of the household of faith, a royal priesthood. Proclaim with us the good news of Christ for all the world. We are one in Christ Jesus: share with us at the table of God's kingdom. Welcome to the family of God and to Christ's ministry with us!

BAPTISM HYMN

Lord Jesus Christ, Our Lord Most Dear

TALLIS CANON

*PASSING OF THE PEACE *read responsively*The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

ANTHEM

Sicut Cervus

G. Palestrina

The Octet

Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarum, ita desiderat anima mea ad te, Deus.
As the deer pants for the waterbrook, so my soul pants for you, God—from Psalm 42:1

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Job 38:1-11

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Mark 4:35-41

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Stained Glass Saints: Rembrandt

Rev. Andrew Bowman

The Response

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*We welcome you to scan this QR code and visit the Giving page on our website.
You can fulfill your pledges and offer your financial support for the ongoing
ministries of Second Presbyterian Church. Thank you!*



ANTHEM

God of the Deep

Dan Forrest

Krista Heckmann, mezzo soprano; Mengfei Xu, piano

*Each time I stand and wonder at the vastness of the sea,
I know that there are mysteries too great and deep for me.
The wide expanse of water reaches far beyond my sight,
And yet I know the One to whom its depths are full of light.*

*The ocean teems with living things who never see the sun,
And yet there is an eye who sees and knows them, every one;
And that same eye has fathomed all the myst'ries of my days;
When tears have dimmed my sight, a heart of Love still charts my ways.*

*The mighty waves roll in to shore and break upon the sand,
Compelled by unseen forces that I cannot understand.
The currents run beneath the waves in perfect, charted paths;
A skillful hand directs their courses, as it ever has.*

*When simple explanations lie too deep for me to find,
I rest in God who holds the whole creation in His mind.
I hope in Him whose skill and wisdom far exceed my own.
The secrets of the hidden depths belong to God alone.*

--Eileen Berry

*DOXOLOGY 608 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* PRAISE GOD (HOPSON)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ all people here be low;
Praise Holy Spirit ever more; Praise Tri-une God whom we adore!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING GRACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Sending

*HYMN 720

Jesus Calls Us

GALILEE

*BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

Brande champanje

Susanne van Soldt (collector)

*We are called to go out from our worship to share the grace of the risen Christ with one another and the world.
You are welcome to remain seated for the postlude or exit quietly.*

In Worship Today

INFO ABOUT THE SERMON SERIES “*Stained Glass Saints*”

This summer, we are exploring the Stained Glass Saints that adorn our narthex (lobby) window. The first time I ever laid eyes on this window, I knew it had to be the basis for a sermon series. I was awed by both the beauty as well as the uniqueness of this window that celebrates people from all walks of life. My hope is that you will be equally intrigued. This belief is not new to me. For years I have enjoyed creating sermon series that reveal what is unique within a particular congregation. I believe it roots us to who we are, while also inviting us to imagine how these notes of Godly wisdom inspire our faith beyond these walls.

Since this is summer, each sermon will stand alone, as each will explore a different saint - from Michelangelo to Madame Curie, and from Rembrandt to Reinhold Niebuhr. My hope is that you will see what I suspect former pastor, Rev. Dr. Glenn Dorris, wanted you to see: that God's call upon each and every one of us is full of hope and grace, taking us in different directions, but leading us all to bear witness to the light of resurrection. May we, together, enjoy pondering and gazing into the light God emits through this wonderful window!

— Pastor Barrett

Music Blurb for Postlude:

The Susamme van Soldt Klavierboek preserves some of the earliest Netherlandish keyboard music from the late 16th century. It collects psalms, dances, and popular tunes that organists and instrumentalists would play before and after worship. Brande champagne is a fast dance with irregular phrases.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given by Valerie and Ernie Dreher in celebration of the birth of their 1st Great Grandchild, Joseph Michael Callari on July 29, 2026.

USHERS

Brad Hume, Glen Hume, Tim Martin, Cathy Martin, Emily Lawrence, Patrice Paton

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Andrew Bowman, preacher; Elizabeth Clay, liturgist; Lee Baltzell, lay reader;

Lucy Kosse, Elder for Baptism

The Octet; Jim Rittenhouse, conductor; Mengfei Xu, organist

Evan Vicic, Audiovisual Engineer; William Vicic, Visual Technician

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We Lift Up in Prayer

Guthrie, Lisa, & Drayden Zaring on the death of Guthrie's father, Ben Zaring, 7/26/26.

Bob Cox and family on the death of his sister, Jean Cox Hill, 7/12/26.

Stephanie Mattingly (Octet) & family on the death of her grandmother, Jane Jacobs, 7/4/26.

Nancy Thomas and family on the death of her brother, Harold H. Helm II, 7/1/26.

Jamie Harper and family on the death of her husband, David W. Harper, 6/23/26.

Family of Rev. Gretchen Micka, former assoc. pastor of Second, on her death, 6/20/26.

Cathy Flowers and her daughters Maggie Phelps and Caroline Schifano on the death of
Cathy's father, Colonel Robert N. Clark, 6/17/26.

Mark Your Calendars for These Churchwide Events!

August 16, 6:30 p.m. - Vespers@Second - *Ole Time Gospel Sing* - Chapel Circle

August 23, 5:00 p.m. - Youth Kickoff Dinner - Great Hall

August 30, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. - Fellowship Kickoff Picnic - Great Hall

September 13, 8:30 a.m. (Chapel) & 11 a.m. (Sanctuary) - 2 Worship Services Return

Sept. 13, 20 & 27, 9:45 a.m. - New Member Classes - Library

Sept. 16, 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. - Wednesdays Together Returns (and Children's Choirs)

41 O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

1 O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove!
 2 O tell of God's might; O sing of God's grace,
 3 The earth with its store of won - ders un - told,
 4 Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?
 5 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,

O grate - ful - ly sing God's power and God's love:
 whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space,
 Al - might - y, your power has found - ed of old;
 It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
 in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;

our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
 whose char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form;
 es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
 it streams from the hills; it de - scends to the plain,
 your mer - cies, how ten - der, how firm to the end,

pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
 and bright is God's path on the wings of the storm.
 and round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
 and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.
 our Mak - er, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend.

Addressing the first two stanzas to the singers of the hymn and the last three to God, this free paraphrase of Psalm 104 recasts the psalmist's imagery with baroque verve. Though it was first published in England, the tune has been more popular in North America than there.

TEXT: Robert Grant, 1833, alt.

MUSIC: Joseph Martin Kraus, 1784, alt.

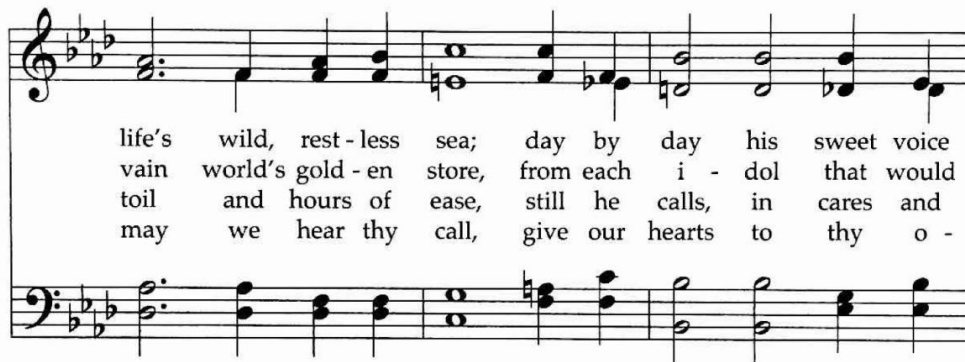
LYONS
10.10.11.11

Jesus Calls Us

720



1 Je - sus calls us: o'er the tu - mult of our
 2 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the
 3 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of
 4 Je - sus calls us: by thy mer - cies, Sav - ior,



life's wild, rest - less sea; day by day his sweet voice
 vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and
 may we hear thy call, give our hearts to thy o -



sound - eth say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me."
 keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."
 be - dience, serve and love thee best of all.

Like many hymns that adults have come to cherish, this text based on Jesus' calling of the disciple Andrew was written for a 19th-century collection of hymns for children. The popular tune used here was composed for these words more than a quarter of a century later.

Ruling Elders

Class of 2026

Vacant

Marilyn Duke
Liz Ratliff Evans
Lindsey Hundley
Lucy Kosse
Deb Vetter
Whitney Watt

Class of 2027

Ann Bowling
John Cunningham
Angela Duffy
Stephanie Fellon
Larry Jones
Justin Powers
Kyle Wiggins

Class of 2028

Caroline Dicken
Mary Clay Edinger
Priss Hovious
Crystal Kannapell
Henry Kelsey
Alexandra Ortiz
Larry Sloan

Youth Elders: Scott Davis & Lillian Powers

Clerk: Chip Snyder

Deacons

Class of 2026

John Davis
Nathan Dicken
Glen Hume
Sissy Judy
Susan McDowell
Paige Reinstine
Kristi Smith

Class of 2027

Kelly Bryant
Tim Clark
Kitty deVoogd
Jim Haynes
Patrice Paton
Kay Reis
Sunny Seale

Class of 2028

Cheeky Bahe
Mac Barr
Lee Best
Terry Cissell
Sara Gilford
Nick Hertzman
John Williams

Staff

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Andrew Bowman *Associate Pastor for Community Life*

Elizabeth Clay *Coordinator for Pastoral Care*

Karla Wright *Director of the Weekday School*

Lorie Williamson *Director of Children's & Family Ministry*

Jim Rittenhouse *Director of Worship & Music Ministry*

Michael Harper *Coordinator for Youth Ministry*

Mengfei Xu *Organist and Assistant Director of Worship & Music*

Amy Kiefner *Communications Specialist and Technology Administrator*

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